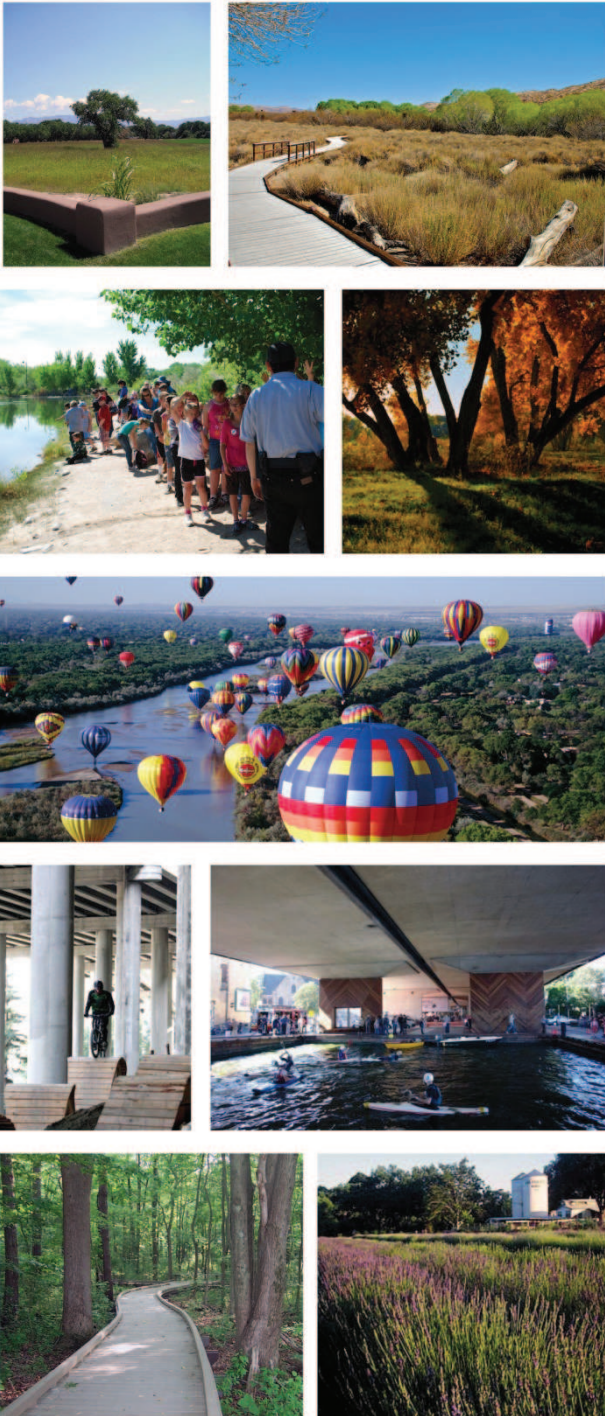




# Rio Grande Vision Concepts

*Open Space Advisory Board  
June 25, 2013*



# Overview



*The **Rio Grande Vision** is a conceptual plan for the future of the Rio Grande and Bosque with a goal of bringing the river more into our daily lives.*



# Goals

make the river a  
bigger part of our  
lives

better access to the  
Rio Grande

quality recreation  
opportunities

quality of life for all

care for the  
environment





## Connect

*Hiking on Soft Surface Trails*

*Connecting people to the Rio Grande & Bosque through recreation, education, stewardship and other quality of life opportunities.*

## Protect



## Excite!

*Exciting people with new ways to enjoy this wonderful natural resource!*



*Tree Planting*

*Protecting the Bosque through restoration and conservation projects*



# Protect

The projects that come from the RGV *will comply with the **Bosque Action Plan*** and other existing approval processes.

An **environmental consultant** is in the process of being hired as an integral part of the team prior to project design.

The **Extraordinary Facilities Ordinance** will be followed.



EXTRAORDINARY FACILITIES IN OPEN SPACE are those other than trails, fencing, signs, incidental parking lots, and access roads.

# Please Note

- The RGV is a conceptual visioning document.
- *Not a blueprint for individual projects*
- The ideas in the RGV have come from the visioning process.
- *Not every idea in the RGV will be proposed as a project*
- The RGV does not include restaurants or buildings inside the Bosque.
- *Outside* the Bosque levees might include restroom facilities, bike or kayak rentals, and maybe a place to get a bite to eat or a cup of coffee.

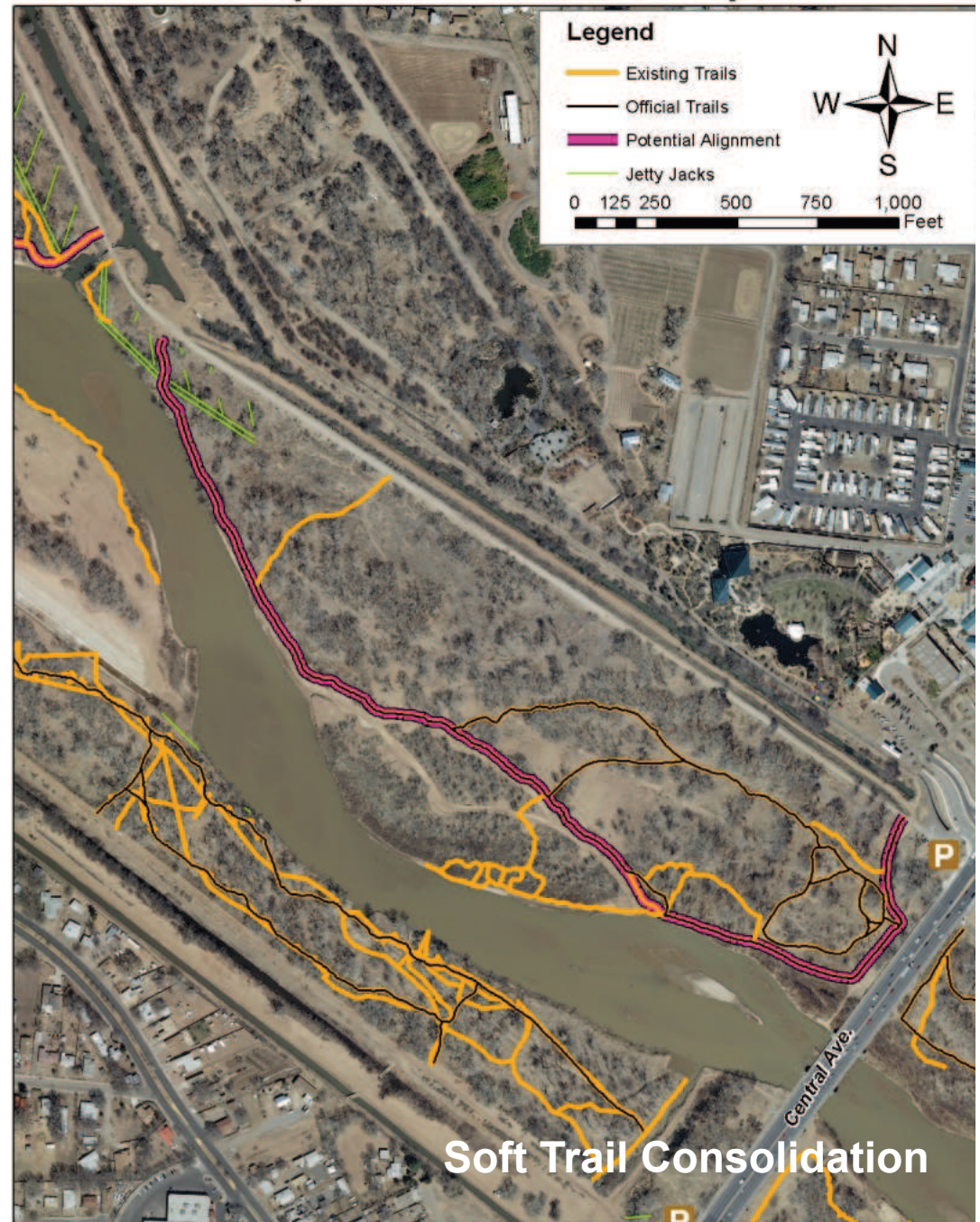
**Additional input is always welcomed.**



# NEXT STEPS

## CENTRAL PHASE 1

### Bosque Trails - Central to siphon





# Next Steps



## **Funding**

The City currently has \$2.9 million dollars in the Capital Improvements Plan dedicated to river, Bosque and trail improvements near the Central Ave. river crossing. (Phase 1)

## **Design**

The Project Team will put together some design for public review. Design work to be completed in Fall of 2013.

## **Public Participation**

The City will host public meetings to discuss design concepts.

## **Review & Approvals**

Final draft designs will be submitted for review and approval.\*

## **Construction**

Upon approval, construction work could begin in 2014.

*\*Review & approvals include: Open Space Advisory Board (review), MRGCD, Bureau of Reclamation, EPC (where applicable), etc.*



# Types of Projects for Central

## Typical\* Open Space Facilities

- Soft Trails
- Fencing
- Incidental parking lots
- Access road
- Conservation and Bosque restoration
- Removal of jetty jacks and invasive plant species
- Educational and stewardship opportunities



*\*construction does not require EPC approvals*

# Types of Projects for Central

**Extraordinary Facilities** – *anything other than trails, fencing, signs, incidental parking lots, and access roads located in City Open Space.*

- Improved access areas, including access points for the disabled which could include boardwalks and decks
- Improvements to the existing picnic area, kayaking and paddle board access points, and site furnishings (like benches and trash receptacles).





# Public Involvement

Once draft plans are put together for the Central area, a series of **public meetings** will be held with neighborhood associations, other stakeholder groups and agencies, and the general public.

See RGV website for schedule

<http://www.riograndevision.com/>

Additional input and comments will be gladly taken into consideration.





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*This is a community plan and we look forward to  
your participation in the discussion.*

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